[30th October 1931

Compensation to fishermen who died as a result of the accident to 'Lady Goschen'.

* 310-B *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether Government have come to any conclusion on the question of payment of compensation to fishermen who died on account of the accident to 'Lady Goschen' near Ponnani?

A.—No.

Expenditure on the trawler 'Lady Goschen'.

* 310-C *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether trawler 'Lady Goschen' is now in working order;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the negative, what is the nature of the work in which Captain Cribb is employed;

(*c*) whether the Government have arrived at a decision regarding the future of 'Lady Goschen'; and

(*d*) what is the amount spent on repairs till now after the recent accident and the amount that will still be necessary to complete the repairs?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) The Captain is engaged in ascertaining the repairs needed and the cost of repairing or replacing the boiler and how and where it has to be done. He has with the help of the skeleton crew completely cleaned and painted the vessel as a preliminary to her being surveyed with a view to determining how long she will be fit for work.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Nothing has been spent since on the repairs of the vessel.

Work done by the Assistant Biologist working on the 'Lady Goschen'.

* 311 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Research Assistant and the Assistant Biologist are deputed to work on the trawler 'Lady Goschen';

(*b*) whether before the appointment of the Assistant Biologist the Research Assistant was being paid allowances only during the period he worked on the trawler;

(*c*) whether the Assistant Biologist is now whole-time officer attached to the trawler;

(*d*) whether the trawler is now out of order and, if so, the work the Assistant Biologist is now doing; and

(*e*) whether the Assistant Biologist is being paid the allowances even though the trawler is not in working order?